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SECOND DRAFT AMENDMENT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES

This second draft amendment is being submitted to replace the draft amendment submitted by applicants on December 4, 2002. These proposed amendments are responsive to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2002, and are being submitted for consideration by the Examiner prior to the December 12, 2002, in-person interview with Janis K. Fraser and Todd E. Garcia. The proposed amendments are being submitted for discussion purposes only. An appendix with all claims, amended and added as indicated in this paper, is attached.

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Claims:

Add claims 70 to 90 as follows:

70. (New) The method of claim 69, wherein the composition comprises carbon monoxide at a concentration of at least 50 ppm.

71. (New) The method of claim 69, wherein the composition comprises carbon monoxide at a concentration of at least 100 ppm.

72. (New) The method of claim 69, wherein the composition comprises carbon monoxide at a concentration of at least 250 ppm.

73. (New) The method of claim 69, wherein the composition comprises carbon monoxide at a concentration of about 50 ppm to about 500 ppm.